

IN THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 5, with the following rewritten paragraph:

The binder resin preferably includes a polyester resin. The toner is preferably prepared by a method including the steps of dissolving or dispersing a toner composition, which includes a modified polyester resin, in an organic solvent to prepare a toner composition liquid and then dispersing the toner composition liquid in an aqueous medium. Alternatively, the method may include the steps of dissolving or dispersing a toner composition, which includes a polyester prepolymer, in an organic solvent to prepare a toner composition liquid and then dispersing the toner composition liquid in an aqueous medium, wherein a modified polyester resin, such as one having a urea bonding, is prepared from the polyester prepolymer during the dissolving or dispersing step and the second dispersing step.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 56, line 17, with the following rewritten paragraph:

In Fig. [[1]] 3, an image forming apparatus 100 (i.e., a copier) has an image reading unit 20 configured to read an image of an original, an image forming unit 30 configured to reproduce the original image, and a paper feeding unit 40 configured to feed a receiving material such as paper toward the image forming unit 30. The image forming unit 30 includes a photoreceptor 1, a charger 2 configured to charge the photoreceptor 1, a light irradiator 3 configured to irradiate the photoreceptor with light to form an electrostatic latent image, a developing device 4 configured to develop the electrostatic latent image with a developer including the toner of the present invention to form a toner image on the photoreceptor 1, and a transfer device 6 configured to transfer the toner image on the receiving material fed from the paper feeding unit 40. The toner image on the receiving

material is fixed by a fixing device 7, resulting in formation of a hard copy. The copy is discharged on a paper tray. The surface of the photoreceptor 1 is cleaned by a cleaning device 8 after the image transfer process, so that the photoreceptor 1 is ready for the next image forming operations.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 63, line 11, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Furthermore, 0.5 parts of a hydrophobized silica and 0.5 parts of a hydrophobized titanium oxide were mixed with the toner particles using a ~~Henschel~~ HENSCHEL mixer. Thus, a cyan toner of the present invention was prepared. The photograph of the toner particles is shown in Fig. 5A.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 64, line 21, with the following rewritten paragraph:

Specifically, the following components were mixed with a ~~Henschel~~ HENSCHEL mixer.